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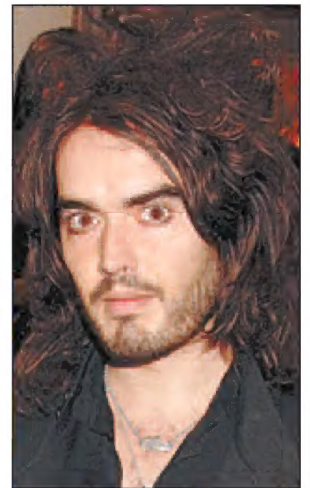
# RUSSELL AXED

He's 'too insane' for  
Beeb's radio show

EXCLUSIVE ■ by NIGEL PAULEY

RUSSELL BRAND was axed from his radio show last night after bosses ruled he was "too wild" for the BBC. Insiders said chiefs couldn't handle "all the insanity" that goes with the 31-year-old funnyman – even though he helped to boost audiences by 40%.

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SHOCK SACKING: Wild man Brand





FRACAS: Police and protesters battle outside the Old Bailey. Inset: Anjem Choudary

Picture: WILL WINTERCROSS

# 'LET US PROTEST OR FACE MORE BOMBS'

## Hate preacher's warning

**A FIREBRAND Islamic leader warned yesterday that Britain would "explode" if Muslims were not allowed to take to the streets to protest.**

Anjem Choudary spoke out as violence flared outside the Old Bailey in London yesterday.

Four people were arrested during scuffles with police.

Choudary claimed the British justice system was biased against Muslims.

And he stormed:

■ by JAMES GLOVER

"When Muslims demonstrate against this, they face the boot boys of Tony Blair."

"They treat Muslims as guilty until innocent. We have a biased government, biased CPS, biased police and biased judges."

Choudary, 39, spokesman for the extremist group Al-Ghuraba, raged: "We should not be surprised at people doing something like 7/7 or what happened in France."

"How else do you expect Muslims to express themselves? We are a

community under siege. It's going to blow up one day in everyone's faces."

More than 50 protesters, many covering their faces with scarves or balaclavas, had gathered outside the court to complain about the prosecution of Mizanur Rahman, 22.

### Cartoons

Some accused police of being heavy-handed and of disrupting what had been a peaceful demonstration.

The trial of Rahman, from Palmers Green, north London, is expected to start today. He denies inciting murder and trying to stir up racial hatred.

He was arrested during a demonstration against Danish cartoons featuring the Prophet Muhammad.

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## BNP LEADER'S MUSLIM RANT

BNP chief Nick Griffin, above, yesterday branded Islam a "vicious and wicked faith" outside his trial for whipping up racial hatred.

The leader of the far-right party grabbed a megaphone and launched into an anti-Muslim rant outside Leeds Crown Court as 100 police battled to control an 800-strong crowd.

Griffin, 46, of Llanerfyl, Powys, is charged with using words or behaviour intended to stir up racial hatred. BNP activist Mark Collett, 24, of Rothley, Leics, also faces four similar counts.

They were charged in 2005 following the BBC undercover documentary The Secret Agent.

**Happy Birthday**

American rapper Nelly is 33. His hits include Hot in Herre



**Thought for day**

I'm more nervous than a long-tailed dog in a room full of rocking chairs

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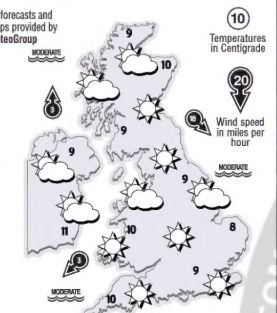
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**TODAY:** Following a cold and frosty start, most places will be fine and dry. However, the odd shower is possible near exposed North Sea coasts, and the far north of Scotland will be cloudier with outbreaks of rain and drizzle.

**OUTLOOK:** Remaining chilly with overnight frosts. Most places will be fine and dry, though the odd shower is possible in the east. Northern Scotland will be cloudier with some rain.

All forecasts and maps provided by MeteoGroup



### THREE-DAY OUTLOOK



Friday  
Sunny



Saturday  
Fair



Sunday  
Fair

### POUND ABROAD

Australia	2.34 dollars
Canada	2.05 dollars
Cyprus	0.82 pounds
Czech Republic	38.63 korunas
Mexico	18.26 pesos
South Africa	13.23 rand
Thailand	62.45 baht
Turkey	2.63 lira
United States	1.82 dollars

### EURO

Austria, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Holland, Portugal, Spain € 1.43

### ABROAD

Alicante	sunny	24c (75f)	Moscow	cloudy	3c (37f)
Corfu	fair	18c (64f)	N York	cloudy	18c (64f)
Dublin	sunny	10c (50f)	Nice	sunny	21c (70f)
L. Angeles	cloudy	13c (54f)	Paris	sunny	11c (52f)
Majorca	sunny	24c (75f)	Rhodes	rain	16c (61f)
Miami	sunny	28c (82f)	Rome	rain	18c (64f)
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1 6 11 15 19 21 22

No ticket matched all 7 balls for the £30,000 prize

### SATURDAY LOTTO

OCTOBER 28

4 5 6 12 20 29 30

Four tickets shared the £4.1m jackpot  
Dream Number: 2-2-6-9-3-9-0. No £500,000 winners  
T'ball: 4, 18, 20, 23, 32 (T'ball 11). Two £250k T'ball winners

### WEDNESDAY LOTTO

OCTOBER 25

2 7 10 14 16 22 43

Dream Number: 9-0-6-5-1-2-6. No tickets won £500,000.  
T'ball: 5, 7, 15, 22, 24, (T'ball 4). No tickets won £250,000.  
(Last night's draws were made after we went to press)

### EURO MILLIONS

FRIDAY OCT 27

3, 4, 8, 44, 50  
Lucky Star Numbers 7, 8

No ticket won the £75m jackpot





Malene

★ **POCKET rocket**  
Malene is wrapped up warm ready to watch the fireworks.  
★ Being from Denmark, the 25-year-old babe admits she doesn't know much about the Gunpowder Plot.  
★ But she's hoping the dummy on top of the bonfire isn't the only hot Guy she meets this weekend!

Picture: JEANY SAVAGE

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# ROBBIE A DANCING QUEEN

## Hunk all set to join ABBA

**EXCLUSIVE**  
by PETER DYKE

**POP idol Robbie Williams has been in secret talks about recording songs with Swedish legends ABBA.**

The chart-topper linked up with former band member Anni-Frid Lyngstad to discuss the plan.

Rob told her he would love them to record at least one of ABBA's hits together – perhaps even Dancing Queen.

Brunette Anni-Frid, 60, revealed they had also talked about going into the recording studio as a team to pick the right songs.

She said: "Robbie and I talked about doing an ABBA hit together. He has not yet come back on that one."

### Split

If Robbie – seen wearing a kilt in Hollywood for Halloween – did record with ABBA it would be a global smash.

The band – Anni-Frid, Bjorn Ulvaeus, 61, Agnetha Faltskog, 56, and Benny Andersson, 59 – split in 1983 and have turned down big offers to reform.

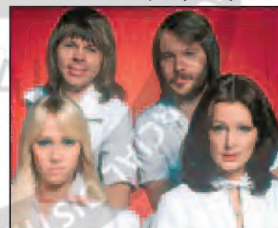
A source said: "Maybe Robbie could be the one to get them together again. It would be a sensational coup."

The X Factor will celebrate the band's music on Saturday, when the remaining eight acts perform the group's hits. Bjorn will be a special guest.

● The X Factor is on ITV1 on Saturday at 5.45pm and 8.15pm.

**I'm hotter than Robbie: P36-37**

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**BJORN AGAIN? ABBA in heyday** and, right, Robbie wearing his kilt



Picture: SPLASH

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# Couple head home for funeral of tragic children



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**AGONY:** Dad Neil hugs partner Ruth – also shown far left – as they leave hospital yesterday. Inset, the children's mum Sharon

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# FIRST PHOTO OF HOLIDAY POISON DAD

■ by JERRY LAWTON

**THIS is the first picture of dad Neil Shepherd since his two children died in a holiday gas tragedy.**

Neil, 38, was on his way home last night after medics said he was well enough to leave Corfu.

The car spares company boss and his partner, teacher Ruth Beatson, 27, had both spent six days being treated in hospital for carbon monoxide poisoning.

## Fumes

Neil's children – Christianne, seven, and six-year-old Robert – were found dead after poisonous fumes leaked into their hotel chalet in the resort of Gouvia.

Yesterday Neil and Ruth boarded an air ambulance to fly to Athens, where they spent the night.

They will return to their home in Horbury, near Wakefield, West Yorks, later today – in time to join the children's mum, Sharon Wood,



**VICTIMS:** David and Christianne died when deadly fumes leaked into their holiday chalet on Corfu



35, at the youngsters' funeral, thought to be planned for tomorrow. Corfu Hospital general manager Ioannis Mantzaropoulos said of the couple: "They are in very good condition, health-wise."

"We are letting them go with a clear conscience, happy because we managed to save their lives."

"Even psychologically they are in

much better condition than before, thanks to the support they have received from specialists."

Greek prosecutors are tomorrow expected to file manslaughter charges against the owners of the Louis Corcyra Hotel, its general manager and the firm that installed and maintained its heating system.

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# RUSSELL BRANDED

## He gets the boot for 'insanity' around him

**COMIC Russell Brand was axed by the BBC last night for being "too wild".**

He was shown the door by BBC 6Music, despite helping the station enjoy a 40% ratings boost.

Insiders said this Sunday's show would be the last Brand hosts for the digital station.

News of the sacking sent shockwaves around the BBC because he had been tipped for a move to Radio 2.

Fans, who loved his edgy, madcap antics, will also be stunned at his departure because they made it one of the UK's most talked about and exciting radio shows.

Last night BBC bosses were in crisis talks to put a positive spin on the departure.

Sources claimed the 31-year-old funnyman was leaving because of a series of on-air

**EXCLUSIVE**  
by NIGEL PAULEY

controversies. One insider said: "They couldn't handle all the insanity that goes on around Russell."

"He produces a great radio show but is just a little bit too edgy and unpredictable for the BBC to handle."

"It all happened so quickly - one minute he's the golden boy, the next he's gone."

### Addict

Last month 6Music and Radio 2 controller Lesley Douglas praised Russell for being "on top of his form".

But sources insisted things were not so hunky-dory behind the scenes.

One insider said: "He does his own thing - maybe it's a case of him being a little too wild for the Beeb."

Brand, who has bedded a

string of babes, has always courted controversy.

The former heroin, crack and booze addict was sacked by MTV in 2001 for turning up dressed as Osama bin Laden a day after September 11.

He has come under fire for outspoken comments on air, including his backing for sidekick Trevor Lock, 33, after his pal was suspended over a false rape allegation.

Last night his publicist Barbara Charone referred calls to the BBC press office. BBC 6Music's spokesman was not available for comment, as she was in meetings about Brand.

A BBC spokesman said: "We have nothing to confirm."

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Picture: ROBERT WATT / CORBIS OUTLINE



**BRAND X:** Clockwise from top left, his bust-up with Rod Stewart, taunting the public with hoody puppet, getting to grips with sexy Abi Titmuss and groping Jonathan Ross



# Premium Bond

## CONNERY IS VOTED BEST 007 OF ALL

■ by LAURA NEIL  
**MOVIE legend Sir Sean Connery has been voted the best-ever James Bond.**

Connery, now 76, beat Sir Roger Moore, 79, into second place and Pierce Brosnan, 53, into third.

Ursula Andress, 70, who famously emerged from the surf as Honey Ryder in 1962's *Dr No*, was voted best Bond girl.

The competition in that category was so tough that beauties such as Shirley Eaton, 69, famously painted gold in 1964's *Goldfinger*, and Jill St John, 66, who bedded Bond in 1971's *Diamonds Are Forever*, never got a look in.

More than 3,000 Bond fans were polled – and over half believe new blond 007 Daniel Craig, 38, will be a hit in latest adventure *Casino Royale*, which opens in UK cinemas on November 16.

### Baddie

*Goldfinger* was voted best film, *Jaws* (Richard Kiel, 67) was best baddie and the super-cool Aston Martin DB5, below, was rated both best vehicle and best gadget.

The poll was by adventure-gift providers Red Letter Days, whose spokeswoman Andrea Aird said: "It goes to show just how much Bond films are seen as a British institution and a huge part of film history."

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TOP MOTOR: Aston Martin DB5



FRESH FACE: Craig



PAINTED LADY: Shirley



FANG-TASTIC: Jaws

## Fans' favourites

**BEST VEHICLE:** 1 Aston Martin DB5 in *Goldfinger*; 2 Aston Martin V12 Vanquish in *Die Another Day*; 3 Aston Martin DBS in *On Her Majesty's Secret Service*.  
**BEST TITLE MUSIC:** 1, *Goldfinger* – Shirley Bassey; 2 *Live and Let Die* – Paul McCartney and Wings; 3 *Diamonds Are Forever* – Shirley Bassey.

**BEST BADDIES:** 1 Jaws; 2 Oddjob; 3 Blofeld.  
**BEST FILMS:** 1 *Goldfinger*; 2 *Live and Let Die*; 3 *Die Another Day*.

**BEST GIRL:** 1 Ursula Andress as Honey Ryder in *Dr No*; 2 Honor Blackman as Pussy Galore in *Goldfinger*; 3 Halle Berry as Jinx Johnson in *Die Another Day*.  
**BEST GADGET:** 1 Aston Martin DB5 in *Goldfinger*; 2 Laser-equipped watch in *GoldenEye*; 3 Q boat in *The World Is Not Enough*.  
**BEST STUNT:** 1 Speedboat chase on the Thames in *The World Is Not Enough*; 2 Car turning into submarine in *The Spy Who Loved Me*; 3 Louisiana speedboat chase from *Live and Let Die*.

GUNS N' POSES: Superspy Connery, in *From Russia With Love*

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## The fallen Madonna

WE'VE always kept an open mind about Madonna's adoption of an African baby.

But she's outraged us now.

Yesterday she used every low trick in the book to try to shut up her critics.

She says the doubters are fuelled by racism because her new child is black. And she wallows in self-pity about the media coverage, claiming that it drove her to the brink of suicide.

But the concerns about this unusual adoption are legitimate and they need to be aired.

Madonna seems to have steam-rollered Malawian law and side-stepped British law to get her hands on baby David.

Indeed, she let slip in her latest TV interview that David's father may not have realised what he was agreeing to when he gave up his child.

Madonna also says she will bring up David in the Kabbalah faith – something that his dad also may not have understood.

This speeded-up, impulsive, cross-border adoption makes us uneasy. It needs to be investigated by our own social services.

## Snooping sex-perts

WE'RE all for the National Census... but not when it probes into our sex lives while ignoring the 500,000 illegal immigrants in our midst.

In the past the Census has provided a compelling snapshot of the state of the nation.

But the next survey is being undermined long before it even takes place.

There's already an outcry over the Government's intention to ask a host of new and intrusive questions.

They want to pry into personal finances, health matters and even our sex lives.

But the Census, which started over 200 years ago, faces other challenges.

For obvious reasons, it won't actually include a huge section of the population – the 500,000-plus who have settled here illegally.

It's likely Britain's 250,000 failed asylum seekers still here will also ignore it.

The Census – another national institution ruined by new Labour.

## Posh nosh

VICTORIA Beckham was lavished with £20,000 of luxuries at her posh London hotel.

We're sure she enjoyed the £5,000 of orchids and the Cristal champagne.

But surely she didn't eat £350 of cakes and pastries in two days!

BEST GIRL: Ursula Andress in *Dr No*



# YOU'RE ALL RACISTS

**FIGHTING BACK:** Madonna on Newsnight and, inset, with David and her children Lourdes, 10, and Rocco, six

## Madge outburst in adoption row

■ by NIGEL PAULEY and MARIANNA PARTASIDES  
**MADONNA last night went on TV to angrily brand critics who attacked her adoption of an African baby as "racists".**

She claimed that many people "had a problem" with her bringing-up 13-month-old David Banda – because "his skin was a different colour."

The superstar angrily insisted the idea of a white woman adopting a black baby was still "considered taboo".

But, her views were blasted by adoption groups and Daily Star columnist Vanessa Feltz, 44, who urged the "arrogant" American singer to "act like a real mum".

Madonna, 48, went on BBC2's Newsnight to defend her decision to bring David back from Malawi.

### Bracelet

And she said: "I have people say to me when I'm walking down the street: 'Why did you adopt a black child?'"

"I don't dignify their question with a reply. But there is a lot of racism in the world. I think that is underneath a lot of people's prejudice about me adopting David."

"A lot of people have a problem with the fact that I've adopted an African child, a child who has a different colour skin than I do."

She said she had been prepared to give financial support to David's father Yohane Banda so the tot could stay in Africa, but he had rejected her offer.

She told Newsnight presenter Kirsty Wark, 51: "I think he truly felt in his heart of hearts that David would have a better life with me." She added: "When

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you have an entire adult population wiped out and no-one to look after these children, you have got to address the laws and make adoption easier."

### Match

Jonathan Pearce, of Adoption UK, said: "I would say it's important to find the right match between the child and parents."

"In an ideal world you find parents who are able to have a similar race and cultural match as possible. It's important, but it's not the be-all and end-all."

Vanessa Feltz said: "It's nothing to do with racism. It's because there are so many children available for adoption in this country."

"There's a massive amount of arrogance in the whole thing."

"I would say to her: 'Behave like a real mother.' She needs to sit down and play with him and stop doing interviews."

**The Star Says: Page 6**

**Vanessa: Page 11**

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## Pitts in baby boom

BRAD Pitt and Angelina Jolie have made a pact to adopt a Third World child for every baby they have.

Tomb Raider star Angelina – who has two adopted children Maddox, five, and Zahara, one – gave birth to the couple's daughter Shiloh in May.

### Guilty

But she says she feels guilty for all the orphans in the world and is keen to adopt again.

However Brad, 42, would like her to have a second baby.

A source said: "Angelina wants to give Brad the baby he craves, but her condition is that for every child they have,

they must help a Third World child."

The Insider also revealed the Ocean's Thirteen star wants to start trying for a son as soon as Angelina, 31, has finished filming A Mighty Heart in India, a movie he is producing.

The source said: "Brad has begged her not to embark on any new projects until 2008."

The couple are said to be adopting an Indian baby after visiting Priva Darshini orphanage.



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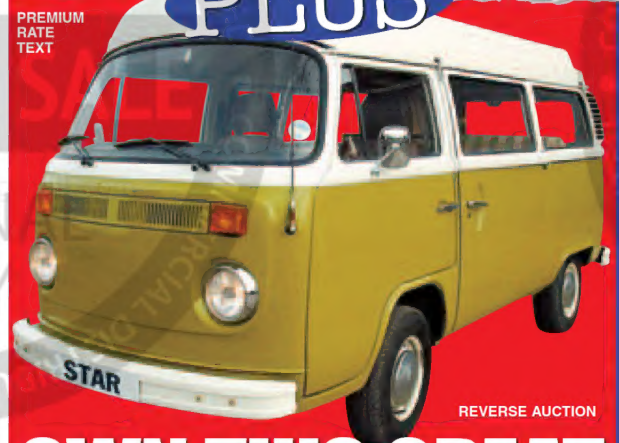
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# POSH'S £175-A-DAY CAKE HABIT

## WHAT SHE GOT FOR HER DOSH



★ FIVE porters were sent out to a local patisserie to clear the shelves of £350 worth of fancy cakes, above.

★ A BUTLER was provided 24 hours a day to make sure that Victoria didn't have to lift a finger.



★ CRISTAL bubbly, Posh's favourite (left), was put in the fridge – hastily changed from the original Ruinart brand.

★ SPANISH newspapers were supplied so husband David could keep up with the football stories back in Madrid.

★ EXTRA thick towels and dressing gowns in her room.

★ SIXTY scented candles were placed in her suite.

★ SIX silver platters of fresh tropical fruit were laid out.

★ EXCLUSIVE Jo Malone bath oils were shipped in at a cost of £1,000.

★ ITALIAN linen sheets, by designer Francesco Calvini, were flown in just for Posh at a cost of £5,000.

★ ORCHIDS worth £5,000 also decorated the room.

★ A MIGHTY Porsche Cayenne, with chauffeur, was put on standby.



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## Hotel lays on lavish treats for her flying visit

EXCLUSIVE  
by LIZZIE CATT

**POSH** really lived up to her name during her London hotel stay – bosses spent £20,000 giving her the star treatment.

And that included £350 worth of CAKES for the slimline celeb's two-day visit. Victoria Beckham, 32, enjoyed more than a taste of luxury when she flew into the UK this week.

She booked into the swanky Hempel Hotel in Bayswater, west London, ahead of a mini-promotional tour to plug her new book of fashion tips, *That Extra Half An Inch*.

And during her whirlwind stay in a £1,500-a-night suite, hotel chiefs made sure "Queen Victoria" wanted for nothing.

### Effort

Five porters were dispatched to a local patisserie to clear the shelves of £350-worth of posh cakes in case she felt peckish. A chauffeur-driven Porsche Cayenne was put on standby and she was given her own private butler.

Spanish newspapers were even laid out so husband David, 31 – who joined her briefly – could keep up with events at Real Madrid.

A hotel source said: "David dropped in to surprise her and show his support for her book. We made a massive effort to get ready for her. In total we must have spent around £20,000 preparing for her arrival."

But, despite all their efforts, staff overlooked one vital detail – they left bottles of Ruinart champagne in the suite's fridge, but Victoria prefers Cristal, so they had to be changed.

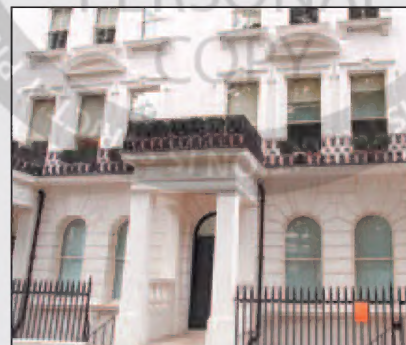
A hotel spokesman said: "The hotel goes all-out to look after its A-list guests."

And a spokeswoman for Victoria said of the staff: "They were brilliant. They were very kind and really looked after her."

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**HIGH LIFE:** Posh got a butler, posh bath oil, below, a Porsche Cayenne, left, and orchids



AT HER SERVICE: Ultra-posh Hempel Hotel

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## Why Kate's stocking up for a treat

**D**ON'T waste time trying to work out why the latest pictures of Kate Moss are downright dynamite. I'll tell you. It's the stockings. Stockings are sexy because they exist purely and simply for horizontal purposes.

They're a nightmare to wear the suspender ones go "ping" at embarrassing moments and the hold-ups lose their stick and suddenly land in a Norah Batty heap round your ankles.

Any woman who flaunts her stockings is a saucy piece who puts satisfaction before comfort and is no better than she should be. Stocking-wearing women are sending out the same signals as girls who wear "f\*\*\* me" shoes they can't walk in. The message is: "I love sex." Nothing is sexier.

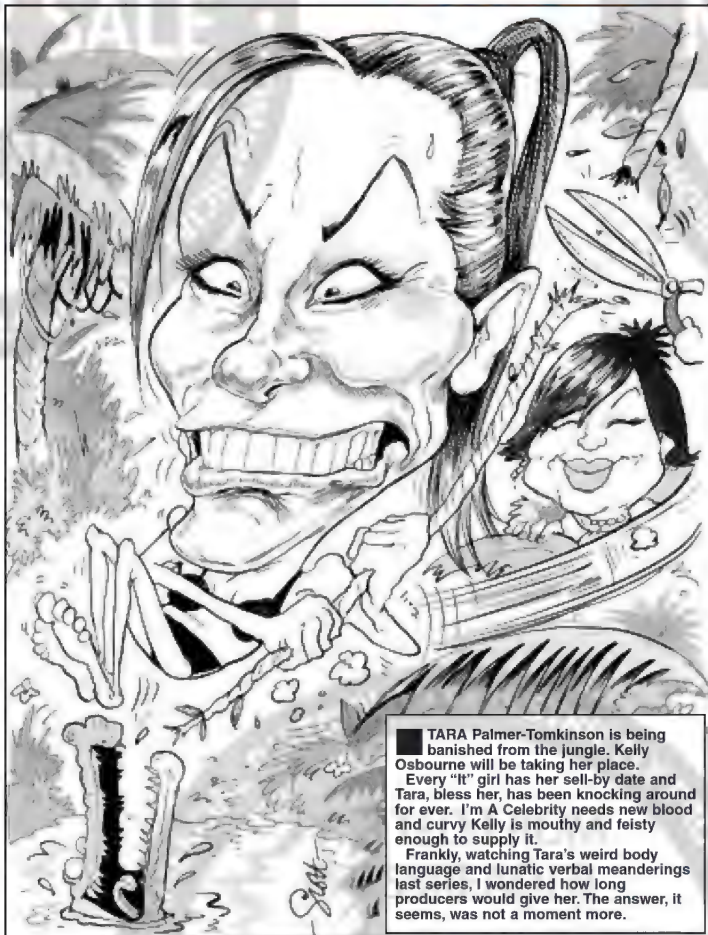
## FAVOURITE BRAND OF SEX APPEAL

**T**HOSE who, like me, are lucky enough to know Girls Aloud's Sarah Harding are well aware that her heart lies elsewhere.

Otherwise she'd never have been able to resist self-styled poonani terrorist Russell Brand. The man is a rippling and lissom love god, a thrill-meister and an aphrodisiac to babes and blokes alike.

His routine went down a storm at the Secret Policeman's Ball, which was televised on Tuesday. So, as mates do, I texted him my congratulations. His reply? "V, could you celebrate my triumph by texting me a picture of your boobs?"

Whether I obliged or not, dear reader, is strictly between Mr Brand and my good self.



**TARA** Palmer-Tomkinson is being banished from the jungle. Kelly Osbourne will be taking her place. Every "it" girl has her sell-by date and Tara, bless her, has been knocking around for ever. I'm a Celebrity needs new blood and curvy Kelly is mouthy and feisty enough to supply it. Frankly, watching Tara's weird body language and lunatic verbal meanderings last series, I wondered how long producers would give her. The answer, it seems, was not a moment more.

# Safety's going down the Tube

**W**OULDNT' you think that, just over a year after the terrorist suicide bombings of 7/7, there'd be stringent security checks on anyone applying for a job on the London Underground?

Surely there must be a rigorous system in place to weed out dangerous individuals and protect innocent commuters?

If you place your faith in the authorities to protect you and yours, you'd be very badly wrong. Mohammed Kamel Mostafa, son of Captain Hook, aka Abu Hamza,

effortlessly got a job working on "sensitive areas" of the Tube.

Mostafa is a convicted terrorist. He spent three years in jail in Yemen for plotting a bomb campaign against British and US targets.

He has since been fired, but the question remains: how could a man with his record possibly land a gig on the Underground? Here's the answer: Easy-peasy.

Why? Because London Transport doesn't even bother asking the right questions to expose potentially dangerous employees.

I've just spoken to an Irish tiler who says he was given his permit to work on the Tube after spending a morning filling in the answers to

a few basic health and safety questions. Did he have to give references? No. Was he subject to a police check? No.

He told me the whole thing is a piece of cake and if he fancied smuggling a bomb in his lunchbox it would be no problem.

If you're already feeling unsafe, there's much, much more. Patrick Mercer is the Shadow Homeland Securities Minister. Whom does he shadow? No one. There is no Minister responsible for security.

The Government doesn't acknowledge that this is a job that needs doing and appoints no one to do it. The result is that anyone can pitch up in the UK with a criminal record

in their home country and we have no mechanism for picking up on it. Paedophiles, drug dealers, rapists, murderers and, of course, terrorists can show up here and not even be asked about their criminal records.

Try emigrating to Canada, Australia, Latvia or Russia and they demand police checks as a matter of routine – not just from this country, but anywhere else you might have lived or worked. They protect themselves and their citizens as a matter of the utmost priority.

Why is it that we, as British subjects, are not given the same consideration and TLC by the people we put in power to serve?

**S**O fragile, troubled, lovelorn Nikki carried off Britain's Top Reality TV Star Award. Good on her.

Her frayed temper, gnats' attention span and neurotic rants took this year's Big Brother into the stratosphere.

You can't explain star quality. It has nothing to do with talent – just look at Paris Hilton. It isn't about being the prettiest or the best singer or greatest dancer.

It's an indefinable quality which makes people want to look at you and see and know more about you.

Nikki's delicate frame and rampant nature, plus her ability to have a good laugh at her own expense, are an unbeatable combination.

We're destined to see

## NIKKI'S A REAL WINNER

much more of her. So let's take a Valium, sit back and enjoy it.

**■** WHAT has happened to J.Lo's bum? The legendary buttocks have dramatically diminished.

Could it be that the whole "feast your eyes on my majestic a-se" thing was based on nothing more than padding, upholstery and magic knickers?

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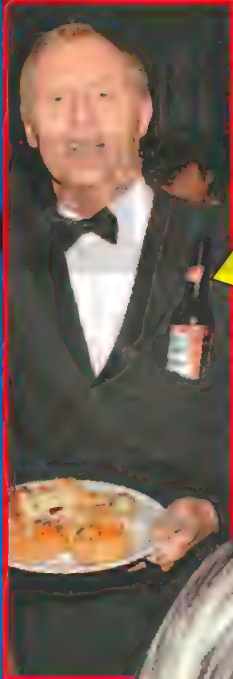


# THE GOSS

With LEIGH PURVES, AMY WATTS and CHARLI MORGAN

## Tarrant's got bottle

CHRIS Tarrant made the most of the free food and beer at the lavish bash. And the 60-year-old TV presenter neatly solved the age-old party problem of what to do with your booze while you're also trying to balance your plate and scoff. Lotta bottle, Chris.



POUT AND ABOUT: Nikki clutches her award

# KNOCKBACK FOR NIKKI

## BB babe gets party snub

THE tables were turned on Nikki Grahame at the National TV Awards, when security guards asked "Who IS she?"

The tantrum queen, 24, blubbered and stomped her feet after being refused entry to the swish after-show bash.

And the Big Brother sulker's flabber was truly gasted by the snub, because moments earlier she had collected the Most Popular TV Contender Award - one of the evening's major gongs.

The scamp had forgotten to bring her invitation to the shindig at the Royal College of Art in west London.

And bouncers refused to budge as Nikki screamed, shouted, sobbed and shivered on the steps in her skimpy low-cut dress.

Her Halloween nightmare became even more horrifying, when BB7 winner Pete Bennett, 24 - who dumped Nikki weeks after the show ended - strolled past her into the party.

### Guards

The dippy promotions girl was famous for yelling: "Who IS she?" at housewife Susie Verrico, 43, during C4's reality show.

But on this occasion, it was the guards asking the questions.

Our man with the Kleenex said: "Everybody knew who she was apart from the guards. They were enjoying making her squirm."

They finally contacted the organisers and the Watford babe was let in - but she then spent the night moaning.

One guest sniped: "Nikki said she hated every second and didn't want to be there."

That must be why she spent an hour trying to get in - and stayed until kicking-out time at 2am.



**PETE** Bennett had the horn at the bash - and we're not talking about the ones on his head. The cheeky devil, 24, kept blurting out profanities about the chesticles on female guests and didn't give two hoots about Big Brother's glittering gong. When asked how he felt about picking up BB's award, he said: "I don't really care."

HAVE YOU GOT SOME JUICY GOSSIP FOR US?



## AT THE NATIONAL TELLY AWARDS PARTY

### QUICKIE...

AH, how we laughed when **Apprentice** loser **Syed Ahmed**, 32, did his best to be bitchy.

After the BBC2 show lost out to **Big Brother** for the best reality prize, the creep was overheard asking of one of the winners, **Nikki Grahame**: "What business qualifications has she got?"

### QUICKIE...

TOP Gear's **Jeremy Clarkson** let the cat out of the bag after winning a gong as part of the factual category.

The 46-year-old said: "Did you think I would have come down from Chipping Norton if we hadn't won?" **Richard (Hammond)** knows already. I texted him on the way down. Oops!"

### QUICKIE...

**DAVID Schwimmer** showed his funny side when he handed out a gong at the Royal Albert Hall.

The former *Friends* actor, 39, said: "Enjoy it, cherish it, savour it, because one day it will all be over. 'You will wake up one day presenting awards to shows you were not even a guest star in.'"

### QUICKIE...

CELEB BB star **CHANTELLE** gave her biggest hint yet she wants a baby. The model, 24, who is married to *Ordinary Boys* frontman **Preston**, also 24, looked coy when asked about the possible pitter-patter of tiny feet.

She said: "Well, I do get broody, you never know."

**MUST** **Roxanne Pallett** and **Richard Fleeshman** recreate sickly scenes from *Titanic* on the red carpet? Rich, 17, spent the night cravelling behind the *Emmerdale* babe, 23, with his hands on her hips. Our man with the sick bag said: "They'd be perfect to work inside a porno house."

WHILE we enjoyed an exclusive after-party at London's Mel Bar, some celebs hit the dancefloor. They included *Hollyoaks*' **Gemma Atkinson**, 22, who cuddled her bloke, Charlton footballer **Marcus Bent**, 28, as they left *Funky Buddha*. She didn't have a coat but at least she had her fellow bar regulars for warmth.

## Bite on the nite

**SHEREE** **Murphy**, right, was on fine form and made the most out of being given a red rose. The 31-year-old held it between her teeth as she headed home.

*Hollyoaks*' **Chris Fountain**, 19, above, followed suit as he staggered across the road. Judging by his expression, he obviously thought he looked seriously sexy.

At least 20 **Jennifer Metcalfe** lookalikes must have been at the swanky shindig. How else do you explain the fact that the *Hollyoaks* hottie, 23, pops up in almost every photograph taken at the event? Here the shameless self-publicist is hogging the limelight from her fiery co-star **Jennifer Biddall**, 26. And poor Biddall's pouted mush speaks volumes. Our snitch said: "It was the battle of the Jennifers. They normally get on very well. But Metcalfe was running around whenever she saw a camera flash." We hope our snapper managed to shake eager Metcalfe off his leg.

THERE was barely anyone left standing at the after-show bash, and **Martine McCutcheon** was no exception. The brunette babe, 30, let her hair down before heading home with a female friend. We don't blame her - Martine was recently robbed while driving.

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# HOW'S YER LOVE LIFE?

## Protests over Census spies

by NADINE LINGE

**CHEEKY Census bosses are set to quiz us all on how often we have sex and how much we earn.**

The next national survey will be the most intrusive ever, asking about private lives, jobs, nationality and the state of our health.

That's led to furious accusations of "snooping". But anyone who fancies trying to boycott the 2011 Census will be in for a shock - they will be hampered with a £1,000 fine.

The Office of National Statistics will run a trial of the new compulsory questions on May 13 next year.

Couples who do not live together will have to reveal how often they sleep with their partner.

There will also be questions about civil partnerships, while those with a second address will be quizzed about how often they spend time there.

The Census will ask people for the first time whether they are English, Welsh, Scottish, Northern Irish, Irish or any other nationality.

And any immigrants will have to state exactly when they arrived in the UK.

### Demand

But the question likely to spark the biggest uproar is: How much do you earn? It was considered for the previous Census in 2001 but eventually axed.

A spokesman for Office of National Statistics admitted: "If we find it affects the response rate to the Census, we will have to make a judgment on whether it is appropriate to ask."

"The question on income was tested ahead of the 2001 Census but it was decided not to go ahead with it. There has been a lot of demand for it to be tested again."

But the plans have already come under fire.

Tory Local Government spokeswoman Caroline Spelman, 48, said: "This greedy Government is giving state snoopers stronger powers to interfere in people's lives."

"Now Census snoops want to look into your pay packet and record which houses you sleep in."

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### Sonia in bover

■ CATHERINE Tate's teenage monster Lauren is looking a bit bovered when she gets EastEnders' Sonia Fowler as a love rival.  
■ Sonia (Natalie Cassidy, 23, right) scraps with Lauren as they dress as cheerleaders and try to woo a lad in tonight's show at 9pm on BBC2.



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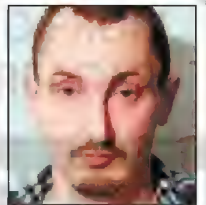
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# Murder probe after house of horror blaze

GRIEF:  
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dead girls  
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Picture: TONY FISHER



FIEND: Goldstraw

## Fire killer is caged

■ by MATTHEW COOPER

**ARSONIST** Mark Goldstraw was jailed for life yesterday for murdering three children and their stepfather in March. Goldstraw, 31, torched the home of his ex-girlfriend Samantha Carter, 16, her brother Marcus, seven, sister Patricia, 10, and Roddy Hine, 44, as they slept.

Stafford Crown Court heard that Goldstraw, 31, of Leek, committed the murders at Cheddleton after being freed from a jail term imposed for the manslaughter of a former girlfriend.

Mr Justice Mitting said he must serve at least 35 years.

# ARSONIST WIPES OUT FAMILY OF 5

## Dad in fight for life

**A MURDER inquiry was launched yesterday after an anti-racism campaigner and her four daughters died in an arson attack.**

Firefighters battled in vain to rescue Caneze Riaz, 39, and her family.

The mum and Sayrah, 16, Sophia, 15, Alisha, 10, and three-year-old Hannah were found upstairs in their terrace home.

Last night police were waiting at a hospital bedside to quiz the girls' father Mohammed, 49, who they believe was sleeping downstairs in the house in Accrington, Lancs.

The Pakistan-born factory worker, married to Caneze for 20 years, is fighting for his life in Wythenshawe Hospital, Manchester.

His 17-year-old son Adam is battling bone cancer at the city's Christie Hospital. Police have told him about the tragedy.

### Angels

Det Supt Mick Gradwell said yesterday: "The main line of inquiry is to speak to someone in the house but the man is in hospital and is not in a position to talk."

He said accelerants were used, adding: "The cause is, therefore, deliberate."

"The house was secure and locked from the inside. Early indications are that whoever

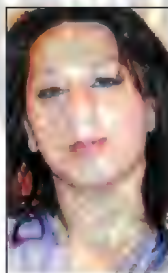
■ by JOHN MAHONEY

set the fire and created what we assume are other suspicious activities, which I cannot go into at this stage, did not leave the premises."

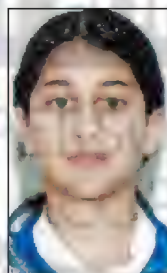
Caneze, who worked for the East Lancashire Together group that aimed to break down racial barriers, was one of the best-known local Asian women.

Neighbour Saeeda Farook said: "All the daughters were like little angels." And Munsif Dad of a nearby community group added: "Caneze was a beacon for building good relations between people of different backgrounds. Her enthusiasm for life will be sorely missed by all."

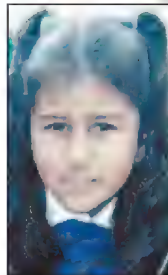
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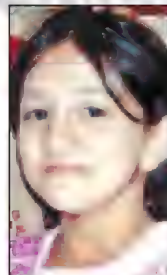
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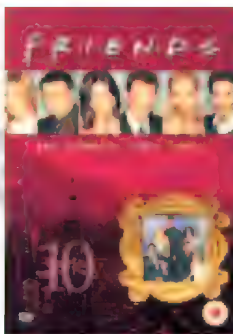
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**Celebs get into the**



**VEILED THREAT:**  
Christina Aguilera

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**PUMPED UP:**  
Jonathan Ross turns monster to host a party for showbiz pals

Picture: SPLASH



spirit of things on biggest fright night of the year

# HA-LOH-WEEN

**Lindsay  
proves  
ghouls  
wanna  
have fun**

**PARTY** girl Lindsay Lohan looks like she's looking for tricks not treats dressed as a kinky Halloween dominatrix.

The 20-year-old party girl had guests spellbound with her bewitching outfit at a bash in Hollywood.

And actress Lindsay – who turned heads wearing black leather basque, stockings and suspenders – wasn't the only celebrity getting in a ghoulish mood.

Sexy singer Christina Aguilera, 26, and husband Jordan Bratman, 29, also vamped it up.

The couple arrived at a bash in New York dressed as undead newlyweds.

In London, telly chat show host Jonathan Ross, 45, held a Halloween party for showbiz pals at his home.

## Willies

And he certainly gave guests the willies - dressing up as a pumpkin-headed monster to greet them at the door.

Others who got into the spirit of the night included hit glam rockers the Scissor Sisters, who donned spooky costumes to perform at a packed Brixton Academy in London.

Singer Jack Shears 28, was Frankenstein's monster while Ana Matronic, 32, played his bride.

But not everyone seemed to get the right end of the stick about what the night was all about.

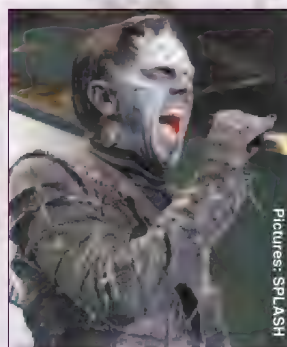
Dopey heiress Paris Hilton, 25, arrived for a Hollywood party dressed as tarty version of comic book heroine Wonder Woman. One gobsmacked onlooker said: "Considering what day it was, her outfit made her look more like Blunder Woman."

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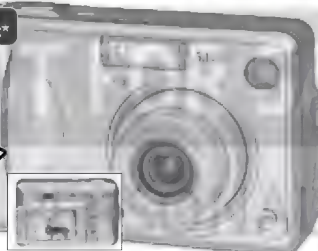
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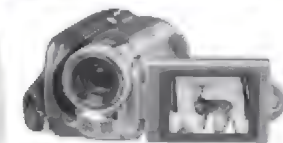
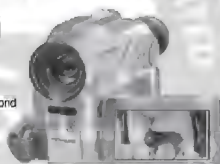
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# CROC HUNTER STEVE JUST A BIG SHOW-OFF

## Irwin savaged by Beeb chief

**TRAGIC** Croc Hunter Steve Irwin's reputation has been savaged by a top BBC producer who branded him a "showman".

Film-maker Alastair Fothergill claims Steve, who was killed by a stingray while making a wildlife programme in September, scared animals.

Mr Fothergill, executive producer on the hit series Planet Earth, said the late Aussie telly presenter, 43, was

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more interested in his own stardom than the animal kingdom.

He said: "Yes, he introduced a lot of people to natural history, but his basic stock in trade was: 'Aren't I brave, and aren't animals dangerous?'"

"I'm not interested in human stars. I'm interested in animal stars."

Mr Fothergill added that animals only attack if they feel threatened.

He told the Radio Times: "The first rule of natural history film-making is that you're there to film the animals' natural behav-



our. Attacking humans isn't natural."

His attack came a day after Steve's widow Terri, 42, said Planet Earth host Sir David Attenborough, 80, was his "inspiration".

After being presented with his award for Lifetime Achievement at the National Television Awards, Sir David said Steve was a "born communicator" who made people take an interest in wildlife.

● Planet Earth starts at 9pm on BBC1 this Sunday.

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**NATURAL WONDER:** A walrus in the BBC's Planet Earth. Below, boss Fothergill, who slammed Steve, left

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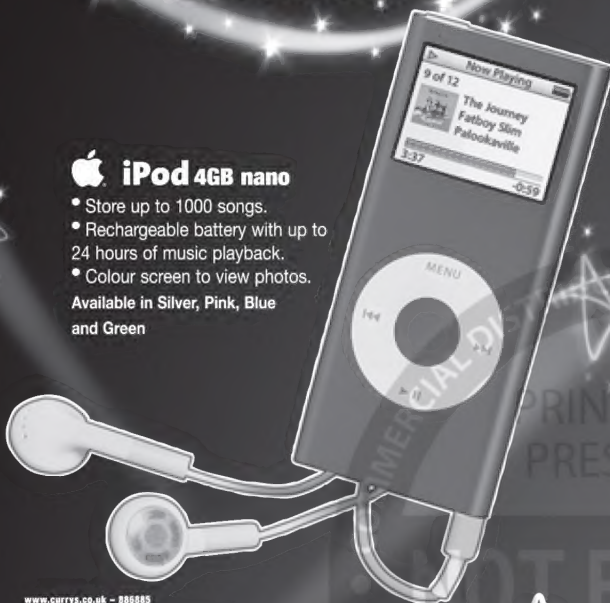
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★ The actress braved the winter chills to model the Ultimo Young Attitude T-shirt bra for D-G cup babes.  
★ It boosts assets underneath light tops, but here's hoping that Jen, 23, isn't in too much of a hurry to get dressed.



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**FOOTIE stars are turning to ex-England ace Lee Dixon to find their luxury homes.**

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NEAT MOVE: Dixon

by JAMES WICKHAM

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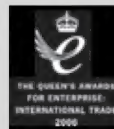
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